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In re application of: Ransom

Serial No.: 10/687,341

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For: **COLLAPSIBLE LUGGAGE AREA PROTECTOR**

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed on November 14, 2007, Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

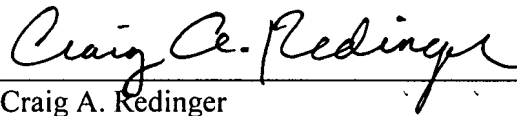
A non-final rejection of the above-noted patent application was mailed to Applicant's attorney of record on March 13, 2007, and a response to this rejection was due on June 13, 2007. Applicant's undersigned counsel filed a timely response on April 18, 2007, and a copy of that reply is attached hereto as Exhibit A. That paper was mailed according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.8 and included a certificate of mailing, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

A postcard receipt identifying the application and the response was included in Applicant's mailing of the April 18, 2007 response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. A copy of that receipt bearing the United States Patent and Trademark Office's April 23, 2007 received stamp is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

Per MPEP §503, the postcard receipt shown in Exhibit C serves as *prima facie* evidence that the April 18, 2007 Amendment was timely filed in response to the March 13, 2007 Office Action. Thus, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.181 and MPEP §711.03(c), Applicant respectfully requests that the Commissioner withdraw the holding of abandonment, enter the April 18, 2007 response, and allow the instant application to be examined. A duplicate copy of the April 18, 2007 response is enclosed herewith for entry.

If the Examiner should have any questions regarding this paper, he may contact Applicant's undersigned counsel at (734) 662-0270.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Craig A. Redinger", written over a horizontal line.

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DATED: November 27, 2007